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American Affairs.

ELECTIONS IN MANY CITIES.

Municipal elections in several States Monday and Tuesday did not result in any striking party changes.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, was re-elected as a Democrat on the platform of municipal ownership with a plurality of 6,948 over Graeme Stewart, Republican.

In Ohio's principal cities the honors were divided, Thomas L. Johnson being re-elected Mayor of Cleveland and "Gold-Rule" Jones as Mayor of Toledo.

While the Republicans of Cincinnati elected their candidate, Fleischmann, as Mayor over Melville E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four, who was a Fusion candidate. Johnson thus becomes the acknowledged head of the Democratic machine, and is expected to be the candidate for Governor. Other Ohio towns went Republican, as usual.

Michigan went Republican by about 40,000 on the vote for Supreme Court Justice and university regents.

Local elections carried by the Democrats on local ticket which insures a rebuke to the House of Delegates "ring."

Baltimore's electoral primaries under the new law resulted in the nomination of the regular organization's choice for Mayor, Robert M. McLean and the retirement of Mayor Hayes. This was a victory for Senator Gorman's political machine.

In Montana the Democrats carried Heland and Patrick Mullins, the Helms anti-Democratic candidate, was elected Mayor of Butte, likewise Omaha, Kansas City, Kan., elected T. B. Gilbert, Republican, Mayor, and Leavenworth's new Mayor is Democrat, independent, a nephew of Susan B. Anthony.

PROHIBITION LAW REPEALED.

A bill repealing the prohibition law in New Hampshire, which has been in force for forty-eight years, has been passed by the Legislature and Governor Bachelder. It provides for a special license to sell beer and wine.

The towns are to decide by local option if saloons are wanted.

HILL ATTACKS ROOSEVELT.

A sharp attack on the record of President Roosevelt was made by Ex-Senator David B. Hill in arguing for the corporation in the proposed tax case before the U. S. Court of Appeals at Albany, Tuesday.

He charged that while Mr. Roosevelt was Governor of New York he was responsible for the State assessment provision purely as "political expediency."

PHILADELPHIA'S RESCUE.

The new Republican Mayor, Philadelphia, John W. Taylor, who was inaugurated Monday, is disappointing the machine leaders and pleasing the reform element by taking an aggressive stand against every form of corruption in the Government of the city.

PRESIDENT IN YELLOWSTONE.

President Roosevelt entered the Yellowstone Park, Wednesday, in rough riding outfit with John Burroughs, the author-naturalist, as his only companion, leaving behind at Cinnabar, Mont. the rest of the presidential party.

In the fastnesses of the big forest preserve the President is expected to remain for two weeks studying the wild animals and enjoying a complete rest. Camps at different localities for his use have been established.

During his trip across Dakota, after leaving the twin cities, the President's most important utterance was in defense of the American army in the Philippines.

He declared that President McKinley's promises for the Philippines had been fulfilled and praised the work of Gov. Taft. His Sioux Plains speech dealt with the work of the army and the ill of the soil whose problems he regarded as the most important of all. Prior to this, in his Milwaukee speech, referring to anti-trust legislation he took a somewhat apologetic tone, saying that Congress had gone about as far as it could in this direction.

GEN. CORBIN'S SOCIAL SNUB.

Politics and personalities have resulted in the refusal of the Metropolitan Club, of Washington, the most exclusive organization of prominent men in the country, to admit to membership Gen. Corbin, notwithstanding that his name was backed by Secretary of War Taft.

The influence of the Administration. The club governors have not filed any charges against Corbin but based their objections on personal dislike. Army and navy officers who belong to the club are said to resent this action as a slight to the service.

A STATE-PAID LOBBY.

The fact has leaked out that the State of New York, through the action of its legislative commission, has had a paid lobbyist at Washington during the recent session of Congress. For helping to bring about the passage of the bill for the deportation of alien lunatics at New York the Commission paid Goodwin Brown \$2,000.

ADD CITY ELECTIONS.

All over Kansas the town elections resulted in favor of enforcing the prohibition law.

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ASPHALT TRUST DECREE.

After hearing the report of the receiver of the National Asphalt Company, Judge McKim of the United States Circuit Court of New York, entered a final decree of sale of all the properties of the asphalt companies. The net earnings of the trust during the year were said to be \$75,000.

GLASS MACHINE MERGER.

It was announced at Indianapolis April 11th that the American Window-Glass Company and the American Machine Co., makers of glass-blowing machines, would be merged at Pittsburgh during the week. The new company will be capitalized at \$500,000 and will erect glass-blowing machine plants.

THIRD NILE DAM OPENED.

A third subsidiary barrage upon the Nile, the Zifti Dam, midway between Cairo and the sea, has been opened. It is 1,254 feet long and contains fifty arches, each 10 feet broad. It cost \$2,500,000.

NEW GOLD FIND IN NOME.

Recent advices from Nome, Alaska, tell of more rich gold finds on the Shungwaik and on Ingleschuk. A stampede from Nome is reported and an unusually ac-

tive season is anticipated in the new district.

FIRST WIRELESS NEWSPAPER.

The Los Angeles Times has put into operation the first and only daily newspaper to receive its news entirely by wireless telegraph. It is on the island of Santa Catalina, thirty miles off the mainland of California, and is appropriately named "The Wireless."

FARMERS' PROFITS BIG.

Professor Davidson, of the State University of Nebraska, has compiled a pamphlet showing that the farmers of the State of Nebraska are reaping larger dividends on their investments than any of the big so-called trusts of the country.

Prof. Davidson finds that the farmer has a 15 per cent interest in his investment.

SHOE STORE SELLS COFFEE.

C. Shenkberg and Company, wholesale grocers of Sioux City, Iowa, have appealed for an injunction against a retail shoe store, which is selling a brand of coffee prepared by the wholesale firm to sell at 20 cents a pound, for 5 cents, as a special attraction.

When the grocers refused to sell the coffee to the shoe dealers they bought from retail dealers.

TEXAS' NEW OIL FIELD.

The discovery of a new oil field at Harwood, Texas, has caused a boom in property similar to that following the Beaumont discovery. Land increased from \$10 to \$400 an acre in a few days.

CHICAGO'S COMMERCIAL WIRELESS.

The president of the Commercial Wire, Chicago, announced at Chicago, last week, that within sixty days his company would be prepared to send messages from Chicago to all the principal cities in the world.

Work on a station at Evanston, Ill., near Chicago, has been begun.

STEEL TRUST'S BIG YEAR.

The first annual report of the United States Steel Corporation was made public last week. It shows that the net earnings after deducting \$21,000,000 for repairs were \$133,303,763, an increase of \$30,000,000 over 1907.

Over the \$20,000,000 used for interest, dividends and other funds there remained a surplus for the year of \$34,253,555. The total net earnings of the first three months of the present year were \$45,855,000, as compared to \$27,275,000 for the same period of 1907.

This decrease was said to be largely due to the railroad congestion which prevented prompt delivery.

COURT DECISIONS AGAINST KEENE.

Judge Charles E. Hughes, of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, decided Monday not to make permanent the injunction asked for by the agents of James R. Keene to restrain the Harriman Interests from voting their 900,000 shares in the Southern Pacific.

The decision was based on the fact that the Union Pacific Company, which holds that stock, was not party to the action and the question of the right to vote the stock was the property of one company by another was not passed upon. Senator Foraker, of Ohio, as counsel for the complainants, gave notice of appeal to the United States Court of Appeals.

During the trial, the Southern Pacific directors at Louisville, Ky., Wednesday took no decisive action.

PROFITS OF BEET SUGAR CO.

At the annual meeting of the American Beet Sugar Co., Tuesday, President Oxend reported net profits of \$725,670 and a surplus of \$300,000 in spite of the low record prices. He predicted a rise in prices.

18 SALT LAKE BOTTOMLESS?

This is the question that perplexed the ablest railroad engineers when B. H. Harriman has been able to employ for the solution of his Salt Lake cut-off problem. Within the past week additional sections of the railroad were laid out, filling in across the northern part of the lake to save sixty miles in the journey to San Francisco have sunk out of sight and 180 foot spilled piles have been driven without finding any firm foundation. Great secrecy prevails at the cut-off, but it has leaked out that twelve laborers have been killed and fifty cars are being plunged into the lake.

TO STUDY TURKESMAN.

Under the auspices of the Carnegie Institute Professor Raphael Pumpelly, the geologist and author, has started for Russia, where he will endeavor to obtain permission to visit Turkestan. He goes to ascertain whether that region offers a good field for the study of the relation between physical geographical changes and economic, social and ethnological changes.

PRIZE ESSAY ON TUBERCULOSIS.

A committee appointed by King Edward has awarded the prize recently offered for the best essay on the erection of a tuberculosis sanatorium in England to Dr. Arthur Latham. His essay, which has been published, recommends life in the open air, complete freedom from debilitating circumstances, methodical hill-climbing an abundant diet of milk, fatty foods and vegetables, and various hydrotherapeutic methods and constant medical supervision.

CONGRESS OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

An international congress of arts and sciences is to be held at St. Louis for ten days during September, 1904. Two of the highest authorities in each branch represented.

The congress will deal with the history of that particular field during the past century and one on the problems now pressing for solution. The proceedings will be published as a permanent contribution to scholarship.

SURGICAL POOR BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

Dr. George H. Edwards, of New York, has announced that Bright's Disease may be successfully treated by surgery. He claims that the removal of the diseased membrane of the kidney frees the diseased and weakened kidney sub-

stantly from a great compression and increases the circulation of the blood, the formation of new blood vessels between the diseased kidney and the surrounding tissue.

HEARD GHOST OF BEECHER.

The Rev. Dr. Isaac Funk, head of the publishing house of Funk and Wagnalls, New York, has taken the public into his confidence in regard to a recent experience with a ritualistic medium when the spirit of Henry Ward Beecher, whom he communicated through an other spirit called Rakestraw. It was to the effect that certain valuable coin, one of the only two valuable coins in existence, which Funk had borrowed from a friend of Beecher's, was now returned. The spirit told Funk to look for it which he did, and unexpectedly found the coin under some old papers in his wife's. The whole matter has been placed in the hands of the Society for Physical Research.

WHAT WAS DONE LAST WEEK IN THIS WORLD OF OURS

The Whole Field at a Glance.

That monopolistic commercial combinations, in whatever guise, can be reached by existing law was discovered to the people of this country, Thursday, when the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at St. Paul, gave its unanimous opinion that the \$400,000,000 Northern Securities Company, created to hold a controlling interest in the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroads, was illegal and in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust law. While this decision is subject to review by the Supreme Court, the defendants having appealed, every form of commercial consolidation, the whole movement toward trusts, is halted pending that final adjudication. In line with this judicial thunderbolt was the veto of the Southern Pacific merger bill by Governor Lanham, of Texas. On the other hand the effort of James R. Keene to invalidate the Union Pacific's holdings of Southern Pacific stock failed in the decision of Judge Lorton, of the Circuit Court and the Keene Pool was dissolved thereafter. Another legal decision of general interest was that of the Indiana Supreme Court making the weekly wage law unconstitutional. The Steel Trust's frank disclosure in its annual report of enormous volumes of business resulting in net earnings of \$133,308,763 and undivided surplus of over \$34,000,000 has attracted much attention; also the prosperous condition of the beet sugar industry in spite of low prices as shown in the \$300,000 surplus of the Beet Sugar Co. Two large combinations were reported, one of drug and medical concerns at Battle Creek with \$10,000,000 capital, the other a \$500,000 glass-blowing machine concern at Pittsburgh. The aggregate spring attitude of organized labor has been the feature of the week in Europe as well as in America. Holland has been face to face with its long expected crisis in the strike of its Government-contracted railroad men supplemented by widespread sympathetic strikes. So far, however, this labor movement does not appear to have been particularly effective, anti-trust legislation having proceeded. The Italian capital has been for several days paralyzed by a general strike of all trades in sympathy with the printers' demands for more pay and shorter hours. But arbitration gave promise of relief. The social unrest

of Europe was further emphasized by Russian riots at Nijni Novgorod, in which thirty persons were shot down and many others wounded. The trend toward open insurrection in the Balkans has continued with many fierce encounters. Serbia's King suspended constitution to serve personal ends. Russia began a partial evacuation of the Niu-Chwang section of Manchuria. In this country the area of labor troubles has widened with the threat of 60,000 men in New York building trades, the ordering of sympathetic spinners' strikes through-out New England, the strike of screwmen at New Orleans docks and the war between rival unions of carpenters. The threatened Wabash strike was averted by concession of 12 and 15 per cent. wage advance on the Western Division. Increasing trouble over the execution of the anthracite strike award, resulting in fresh walkouts, has required the attention of President Mitchell. Local elections in a number of States have resulted in no political upsets or changes of general importance. Chicago re-elected Mayor Harrison by decreased majority on public ownership platform. Toledo called again its Golden Rule Mayor Jones and Cleveland its Mayor Johnson, who thus becomes the acknowledged leader of Ohio Democracy. The Ingalls fusion movement failed to rout Republican Cincinnati. Democrats carried St. Louis and Kansas towns sustained prohibition. President Roosevelt has entered on the rest period of his journey in Yellowstone Park. Philadelphia's new mayor has entered on a reform crusade. The rejection of General Corbin by the Metropolitan Club, of Washington has stirred official circles. A monetary commission has been planned to harmonize silver standard countries. The Postoffice Department investigators have unearthed new signs of corruption. Dr. Edelbohl, of New York, has announced the success of surgery for Bright's disease. The Rev. Funk's spiritual message from Beecher has attracted much attention. Pennsylvania has a new law against cigarette selling to minors. Commissioner of Education Harris reported increase in college attendance of nearly 100 per cent. male and about 150 per cent. women. An American Catholic, the Right Rev. George Montgomery, of San Francisco, has been made Archbishop of Manila. M. Serpollet made at Nice the new auto record of one kilometre in twenty-eight seconds.

Educational Realm.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS EXEMPT.

The Catholic parochial schools of New York State, by decision of Attorney-General Cunnene, are distinguished from the public school system as being free from public school laws. The case in point was the admission of non-vaccinated pupils by the parochial schools of Dunkirk after they had been refused admission to the public schools.

SCHOOL FOR SUPERINTENDENTS.

The School Journal announces the programme of a unique school at Omaha, Neb., during the coming summer. It will give instruction in the principles and practice of supervision and managing public schools. Lectures and conferences will be conducted by prominent State and city superintendents.

VIEWS OF STANFORD'S PRESIDENT.

In an address on "University Tendencies" at Chicago University President Jordan, of Stanford, spoke in favor of a shorter college course. Coeducation he called a "tendency of mind, not a matter of the sexes," and said, "if we could drop the social butteflies and do nothing-doodles from the campus, most of the evils of the university system would disappear."

CARNEGIE AIDS CORNELL.

President Schurman, of Cornell, announced Monday that Andrew Carnegie had asked to be allowed to pay all bills incurred by students on account of sickness during the recent typhoid epidemic or by their parents.

YALE'S NEGRO ORATOR.

William Pickens, the negro orator who won the Ten Eyck prize at Yale last week, and who was the first negro so honored, has received a request for a copy of his essay on Hayti from Ex-President Cleveland. He was one of four competitors for the prize.

SALARIES OF TEACHERS LOW.

In dealing with the vital question of compensation for public school teachers, the Journal of Education calls attention to the fact that "the postman, the policeman, the fireman, the nurse, the dressmaker, the milliner, the typewriter and about everybody else gets more pay than the teacher who feeds the community and no one of them requires as much natural talent, as extensive or expensive preparation."

DR. HARRIS' NEW REPORT.

The most notable feature of the United States Commissioner of Education Harris' new report is the great increase in the number of aspirants for higher education. There are, he says, 75,472 men in colleges and universities as against 44,928 ten years ago and 27,819 women students as against 10,761. The only decrease noted is in the schools of theology.

Sociological.

CIGARETTE SELLING A CRIME.

Gov. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania has signed the bill making it a misdemeanor for any person to sell cigarettes or cigarette paper to minors.

He also signed a bill for separate juvenile jails.

NEW JERSEY LICENSES NURSES.

Gov. Murray of New Jersey has signed the bill requiring trained nurses to be licensed. He explained that it does not apply to those who do not claim to be graduate or trained nurses.

OFFICE ROTATION AND CRIME.

Owing to the wholesale dismissal of policemen in Pittsburgh since the recent election of Recorder Hayes, that city is reported to be suffering from an increase of thievery and other crimes.

ALASKA DEPENDS ON GAMBLING.

The recent enforcement of an executive order against gambling houses in Alaska resulted disastrously to the principle cities of that territory in the matter of finances. It discloses the astounding fact that the public institutions of those cities have been dependent largely on fees and fines from the proprietors of gambling and drinking resorts.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE PROPAGANDA.

Flora N. Babcock, Chairman of the Press Committee of the Woman Suffrage Association, reported to the recent New Orleans Convention that 71,000 general articles and 2,000 special articles besides a page of plate matter every six weeks had been sent to the press of the country in the past year. She said that three-fourths of this matter was used.

Religious.

AMERICAN FOR MANILA CATHOLICS.

The Right Rev. George Montgomery, Coadjutor Archbishop of San Francisco has been appointed Archbishop of Manila. Also the Rev. D. J. Doherty of Philadelphia has been chosen as one of the bishops in the Philippines.

TO UNITE CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

On invitation of Bishop Farley of New York prominent Catholics have conferred with the object of bringing about a national federation of Catholic societies. The purpose of unification is said to be entirely for educational purposes.

NEW SECRETARY OF Y. P. S. C. E.

Van Ordegen Vogt, a graduate of Beloit College, Wis., 1901 has been chosen to succeed John Willis Baer as Secretary of the Christian Endeavorers.

REV. HEBER NEWTON RESIGNS.

Rev. Heber Newton, of New York, who recently accepted the position of preacher in the Memorial Church at Stanford University, Cal., has resigned. It is believed that his retirement was due to severe criticism of his efforts to harmonize the different creeds. The most dissatisfaction was expressed by other ministers of his own denomination.

NO MORE HERESY TRIALS.

Professor Henry Van Dyke, Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, said at New York Monday before the Presbyterian Union that the prospects of the Presbyterian Church were brighter because the whole spirit was changing from apologetic to missions. For many years they had been misrepresented as to what they thought and believed, but now the revised creed would enable them to clearly state their beliefs so they need no longer be hampered by predication.

He thought that there would be no more heresy trials.

FATHER JOHN HATES TOLSTOI.

Father John of Cronstadt, regarded as a saint in Russia, has refused to accept honorary membership in the Council of the University of Duput, because of the election thereto of Count Leo Tolstoi, "the worst heretic of our evil days," and "refuses to be placed on a footing with 'an author who is the personification of Satan.'"

RABBI'S VIEW OF RESURRECTION.

Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, Rabbi of Temple Israel in Chicago, preaching the Rosh Hashana service, described the doctrine as "the Christian churches as a 'subtle drug.' He said he found it best to take the Jewish view of immortality to be worthy in this world and leave all beyond in the hands of God."

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Executive.

EXPORTS OF MANUFACTURES.

According to Treasury Department figures our exports of manufactures have increased from \$102,555,015 in 1890 to \$403,641,401 in 1902. In 1890 they represented 12.43 per cent. of the total volume of domestic exports and in 1902 had increased to 27.77 per cent.

ALASKA BOUNDARY COUNSEL.

Secretary Hay has chosen as counsel for the United States before the Alaskan Boundary Commission Judge Jacob M. Dickinson, of Chicago, David T. Watson, of Pittsburgh and Charles Taylor, Ex-U. S. States Minister to Spain. They will go to London in the fall.

MONEY COMMISSION PLANNED.

Secretaries Hay, Shaw and Root held a conference Tuesday and decided to open diplomatic negotiations with Mexico to bring about harmony as to the monetary standards of that country and our own. Secretary Hay has also ordered the U. S. States Minister to Spain. They will go to London in the fall.

RED CROSS FIGHT ON.

The latest development in the controversy over the leadership of the American National Red Cross Society since Miss Clara Barton was ousted by the Executive committee under the new Constitution which gave her autocratic power is the suspension of the dissenting minority of the Executive Committee. Notice to this effect has been sent out to General Wilson, John W. Foster, Ex-Secretary of War, and other dissenters, requiring them to show cause why they should not be expelled.

ANOTHER P. O. INVESTIGATION.

It is a poor week that does not show a new investigation outbreak in the Post-Office Department at Washington. A third great division of this department, the Bureau of Post-Office Supplies, headed by M. A. W. Lewis, has now been invaded by First Assistant Postmaster Wynne on charges of scandalous and corrupt conduct, as charged by Bingham & Co., of Philadelphia.

RECORDS AT GUN PRACTICE.

The United States battleship Iowa lowered all records for accuracy with six pointers at Pensacola, Fla., Wednesday. President first shot her shots in succession, each falling true. Three gun crews participated. The Illinois recently lowered all records for 13-inch guns.

ARMY GENERAL STAFF NAMED.

Secretary of War Root has approved the selection of three colonels, six lieutenants, fifteen majors, nineteen captains and one lieutenant colonel to constitute the general staff under the new law, which becomes operative August 15th, when General Miles will retire. The three general officers who are to head the staff are yet to be named by the President. The duty of this body will be that of a sort of advisory council to the Secretary of War to prepare plans for the national defense, etc.

CATTLE FOR FILIPINOS.

Reports from Manila say that Governor Taft planned to purchase a large quantity of \$1,000,000 out of the recent appropriation in buying farm animals to be distributed at cost in the impoverished provinces.

Miscellaneous.

Auto Record Broken.

In a machine of his own design reassembling an inverted boat, Mr. Serpollet of France, made a new